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Weekly Whirligig

Springtime . . . They were coming down the street very slowly, in the midst of a heated argument—just like the many others they had enjoyed during all their years together.

Norman tall and slim, with curly sandy hair and freckles, his forbears were hardy Welshmen. And Kunio short and sturdy, with slanting brown eyes and awry black hair.

Ever since they had been able to walk they had been the best of pals. They had gone around with each other, sharing in each other's exploits, in each other's tough times, in each other's good fortune.

Still arguing excitedly they turned the corner onto the avenue. Suddnly both stopped short. There across the road was Dorothy of the golden hair that glinted in the sun, deep blue eyes and peaches and cream complexioin. Dorothy with her friend Judy.

Norman stopped short in the middle of a sentence. With a swagger in his walk and a brief "So Long!" he headed for the opposite side of the avenue.

Kazuo looked after his retreating back, anger rising in him. Swiftly he stooped to the ground where the snow lay melting in the April sunshine, scooped up a good hard snowball, and wham! Right in the back of Norman's head.

Norman wheeled round with a bellow, grabbed for some snow himself, but suddenly caught the haughty toss of Dorothy's golden head. Reluctantly he dropped the snow and left the field to Kunio.

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But Kunio only stared after the retreating trio, with pain contracting his heart. The world seemed to spin round and round, crazily, and without meaning. For a long time he stood and stared, until they were almost out of sight.

But the same April sun kept shining on, warming him; and in a near-by elm an early robin chirped. Kunio's face slowly relaxed, as he turned back to the cause of the argument. Swirling dizzily in a miniature whirlpool in the gutter, swollen by the melting snow, were the two matchsticks they had been racing on the way home from school.

Suddenly his seven-year-old heart leaped as he thought of the two doughnuts he could eat at home—his own and Norman's, too.

Youth Of Canada

Photo by John Bong

The purpose of the Youth Congress movement to bring together for mutual discussion upon problems common to all Canadian youth and to discriminate against no youth by reason of his race, creed, colour or political belief is exemplified in this snap of a few of the delegates to the Second Annual Provincial Congress held in Vancouver, Easter week-end.

The second generation Japanese were especially well represented this year, with delegates from some twenty separate clubs in various parts of the province.

Included in the picture taken by John Bong, Chinese-Canadian delegate from Victoria were:

(Back Row)—Robert Oikawa, Maple Ridge JCCL; Shizuo Matsuba, Iwao Yamamoto, and Yutaka Kobayashi, Steveston JCCL; Frank Yamamoto and Shoichi Takayama, Fairview YMBA.

(Second Row)—Yoshimitsu Higashi, Gakuyukai; Fern Lew, Vancouver Chinese Youth Association; Doug Oike, Maple Ridge JCCL; Jerry Hundal, Vancouver Youth Council; Amy Oki, Vancouver Seikokai Anglican Youth Group; Shoji Minamide, Steveston YMBA; Tsugio Shinohara, New Westminster Seinenkai and Tadao Naruse, Steveston YPS.

(Third Row)—George Lam, Vancouver Chinese Youth Association; Miss Bong, Victoria; Roy Mah and Mun Hope, Victoria Chinese Youth Association; Charles Kadota, New Westminster YPS; Kazuko Hidaka, Powell YPS; and Shizue Mori, Steveston JCCL.

(Front Row)—Eric Martin, Provincial Recreation Centres; John Prior, President of the Provincial Committee; John Jopson, President of the Vancouver Youth Council; Tamaye Shintani, Hompa YWBA; Florence Leck, Vancouver Youth Council; and Teruko Hidaka, Maple Ridge JCCL.

On The Newsfront

Canadian Business Leaders Tour Japan

Saling from Port of Vancouver aboard the Heian Maru, April 19, will be a party of Canadian business men en route to Japan to investigate industrial and business conditions.

Included in the party are Mayne D. Hamilton, recently retired superintendent of the Canadian Bank of Commerce in Vancouver, and prominent member of the Japan Society; John Thomas Hackett, K.C., B.C.L., noted barrister of Montreal and Joseph W. Paradis, prominent Montreal financier, president of the Montreal Chamber of Commerce. All three will be accompanied by their wives.

The Japan Foreign Trade Federation has invited the group to investigate the business situation in Japan. The invitation is extended solely by the Federation and quite independent of the government.

The party will spend a month in Japan, visiting such industrial centres as Osaka, Tokyo, Nagoya, Kobe and others. They will return on the Asama Maru, via San Francisco.

7,000 Goldfish Imported From Japan

Included in the cargo aboard the Heian Maru, which docked in Vancouver, April 5, were tubs of water containing 7,000 goldfish of various kinds, being imported by Dr. George A. Ishiwara, Nisei dentist and tropical fish fancier.

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Nisei Lose Jobs In Chemainus Mill Shutdown

Chemainus.—A large number of men, including both first and second generation Japanese have been thrown out of work following the closing of the night shift at the giant Victoria Lumber Mill Co. mill here.

At a meeting of employees, John Humbird, president of Seaboard sales and head of the Chemainus mill, announced that owing to the lack of ships to transport lumber, production had to be curtailed, and that the company had no alternative but to close the night shift.

In a statement to the meeting, Mr. Humbird outlined the difficulty of securing ships for carrying lumber to the British market, as well as market difficulties in other parts of the world.

"Why Canada And Japan Should Cultivate Friendship"

By Our Quizzing Reporter

THE QUIZ

The Japan Times of Tokyo is sponsoring an essay contest for all High School Matriculation and University students of Western Canada on the provocative topic, "Why Canada and Japan should cultivate friendship?"

In your opinion what are some of the reasons why Canada and Japan should cultivate friendship?

THE ANSWERS

EIKI KAWANO, Salesman, Clarke & Stuart Co., 132 Dunlevy Ave. I think World Peace is the most important point. All the countries in the world should cultivate friendship with each other and establish world peace. Trade will follow after that.

In the case of Canada and Japan particularly, Canada is Japan's closest neighbour, not including the countries on the Asiatic mainland. Being close neighbours, the two countries should be the first to cultivate friendship in the cause of World Peace.

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GEORGE SAITO, 5th Year University Electrical Engineering Student, 500 Powell St. I think the answer should be apparent enough. Why shouldn't Canada and Japan cultivate friendship? Any two countries should be friendly.

It is said that the tide of civilization is slowly creeping westward all the time, and that the Pacific Area will soon become the centre of our world rather than the Atlantic. So from their geographical position, Canada and Japan should cultivate friendship.

For the sake of the second generation Japanese, too, whose future lies in Canada, the two countries ought to preserve friendly relations.

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TAO WAKABAYASHI, Truck Driver, 139 Powell St. There are all kinds of reasons why the two countries should cultivate friendship. Canada looks to Japan and Japan looks to Canada for trade. Trade is probably the most important thing.

Another reason is population. Compare prices of manufactured goods in the U. S. and Canada. There they have a large population so they have mass production and prices are lower. Canada needs a larger population, so we should have a higher birthrate or immigration.

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FRANK MORITSUGU, Kitsilano Junior Matriculation Student, 1758 W. 1st. Friendship between the two countries would pave the way for increased trade. This would improve employment conditions in both countries, and also help to create better feelings between Occidental and Japanese Canadians.

Friendlier relations might cause the renewal of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance of 1902, and help her to cast off the slur of fascism upon her name.

Govt. Influences U.S. Public Opinion
Trade Relations Topic Of Consular Parley

Although public opinion in America toward Japan today is worse than in any other country, the general trend has recently taken a change for the better, and leading Americans are inclined to reconsider Japan's problems, Japanese Consul in Vancouver, Kenji Nakauchi, told The New Canadian, upon his return from the consular conference held in Washington, D.C.

The conference was attended by Japanese consuls and diplomats in Canada and the United States, for deliberations on trade matters, especially on the problems arising out of the expiration of the U. S.-Japan trade treaty last January.

The unfriendly attitude of the United States, according to Mr. Nakauchi, has been due largely to a definite governmental policy, which has suppressed the expressions of the more sympathetic element of American public opinion. If the embargo is actually legalized, as urged by Senator Key Pittman, the situation will become much more difficult.

According to Ambassador Horinouchi, minister to the U. S., American public opinion has changed for the better. However there is no prospect for immediate negotiations leading toward the formulation of a new trade treaty.

Problems of Canadian-Japanese trade relations were also considered at some length at the conference.

"Britain Realistic In Far East"—Times

Tokyo.—Commenting upon the speech of British Ambassador Sir Robert Craigie (see page 6), the Japan Times has noted the interest it aroused in the U. S.

"The British Ambassador's speech is interesting when it is compared with what American Ambassador Grew said in his speech last October to the Japan-American Society," says the Times.

"The comparison shows fairly clearly the lines that the governments of the two countries have been following and intend to follow in the Far East. Ambassador Grew chiefly aimed to transmit the aggravated tone of American public opinion concerning Japanese action in China.

"The United States people proposed to judge while they themselves were willing to make no commitments. It is obvious that as long as the American people insisted in this attitude there was to be found no way of escaping the impasse in the Far East.

"The American attitude in very presumptuous, even to the point of being dogmatic. It is doctrinaire in that it pursues its own moral and other principles, closing its eyes to reality.

"The U. S. statesmen speak and argue in the abstract but have no practical plans to offer. On the other hand, Britain although never reconciled to Japanese policy, nonetheless is awake to reality and studies the ground for potential means to guard and develop its interests.

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Credit Unions

The movement in the province to establish credit unions received considerable impetus this year by the action of the U.B.C. Extension Department in sending for two capable men from St. Francis Xavier University in Nova Scotia to conduct a lecture and study group tour through the province on credit unions especially in the farming and fishing industry.

Briefly a credit union is an association in which the members co-operate to promote thrift and to create a source of credit for themselves. This is accomplished by members starting savings in their respective credit unions and receiving loans whenever needed on the basis of such savings.

The Nisei can well profit by establishing such credit unions. One of the chief recognized weaknesses of the Nisei lies in their economic insecurity as unskilled wage earners. Credit unions among salesgirls, sawmill, pulpmill workers, etc., will be of an invaluable contribution to them in encouraging thrift and forming a source of credit which members may wish to use to launch out into the independent business field.

However, the danger of failure faces any premature attempt at forming such credit unions. First, a thorough understanding of the principles which form the basis of a credit union is absolutely essential in a successful undertaking.

There are capable organizations in the community which should take it upon themselves to sponsor lectures and study groups to investigate the possibilities of forming credit unions as one concrete, practical and feasible method of tackling the economic problems that beset the Nisei.

Now That April's Here

A BREATH OF LAUGHTER, A HINT OF TEARS

April—a breath of laughter, a hint of tears, a spray of dewy smiles tossed between the noisy fray of March and the sweet tranquillity of May—the gate that opens into the warm dreamy hours of summer offering us flickering glimpses of the sparkling future and haunting memories of the shadowy past.

April is a capricious month, so inconsistent, so fickle. At one moment frisky and gay, the next plaintive and sad. The minx— she's utterly false, but so fascinating that you can't help but love her.

April is the month to keep your tryst with nature. Oh, to breathe the rich fragrance of the damp clean earth after a sudden shower, to discover early flowers opening their delicate faces wistfully to the world, to see dark trees with their swelling buds etched against a purple sky. It is the time for walks, long walks just to feel the throb of the fresh earth awakening under your feet.

SAKURA, SAKURA, SAKURA-GA SAITA

April is the month of the sakura. Your wonder at the vivid glory of the few cherry trees in the park. How indescribable their their homeland when the string of isles is intoxicated with the snowy beauty of radiant cherry blossoms!

Is it not fitting that the cherry blossom is the **national** flower of Japan for it symbolizes the national character **of the Japanese people!** There is a poem about the cherry blossom **compared to the Samurai** who was always prepared to sacrifice it reads: "The Samurai of Japan is like the cherry which blossoms and dies so suddenly and so beautifully." So marvelous are the changes that take place within the three days of the blooming cherry that it has been likened to the changing moods of man.

A beautiful lyric written by Motori and translated by H. Saito embodies the national spirit of the Japanese race:

"The spirit of Yamato's isles,
If chance, a stranger should enquire,
Go, show the morning sun that smiles

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Apology To Dr. Black

Editor, The New Canadian,
Dear Sir: First let me express my admiration of the success of "The New Canadian" in its efforts to voice the aspirations of our young people of Japanese origin.

In your issue of March 29th you did me the honour of reproducing an editorial from "The B. C. Teacher." Unfortunately, the linotypist inadvertently dropped a line from his copy with the result that I was apparently made to say something for which I should not like to be held responsible. The paragraph in question should read as follows:

"Restriction of occupation, on the basis of the place of birth of one's grandfather, is illogical and morally indefensible. Cruelty is never wise or right. 'Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye so to them; for this is the law and the Prophets.' Maybe the world is not yet ready for a Christianity really committed to such a rule. But there must be some decent degree of consonance between the ethics of Jesus and a proper policy relative to the Orientals in our midst."

In my editorial capacity I have learned not to expect to see an issue of "The B. C. Teacher" that is entirely free from typographical blunders unless or until there are two moons in the sky. However, I do not wish to be thought capable of any statement that "the world is not yet ready for a decent degree of consonance between the ethics of Jesus and a proper policy relative to the Orientals in our midst." It is, of course, the necessity for such consonance that my article was stressing.

NORMAN F. BLACK,
Editor of "The B. C. Teacher."

Ed.'s Note: To Dr. Black we offer our apologies for this serious error in reproducing his splendid editorial upon the second generation question, and we wish to thank him for drawing our attention to this mistake. Dr. Black has long been keenly interested in the plight of second generation Orientals in Canada, and we are very proud to count him as a staunch and loyal friend.

Pictures Please

Editor, The New Canadian—
Sir: Your innovation of a "monthly news in pictures" is a praiseworthy principle. The fact that picture magazines have increased tremendously on the news stands reflects on the assurance that pictures register more readily on the human mind.

W. K.

Eburne, B. C.

Spirit Of Unselfishness

Editor, The New Canadian—
Dear Sir: I would like to express my appreciation of your splendid article which appeared in "The New Canadian" under the heading, "A Message to our Candidates."

The sentiments you have expressed, particularly as you have no vote, shine out like a beacon of unselfishness in these dark days of national and personal self-interest.

A. T. RAFFERTY.

Burnaby, B. C.

Japan Adjusts Her Trade Policy

(Seattle Japanese-American Courier)

News from the Far East that Japan shortly will make an official declaration of a change in international trade policy only serves to emphasize what informed observers have known for some time. The new policy aims at distributing foreign trade more widely than has been the case where stress was laid on relations with the United States.

Such a policy was bound to come in time, but probably has been accelerated by events of the past year. Disruption of trade relations between Japan and the United States to some extent apparently brought home to the Tokyo government the need of providing for supplies in other quarters. It may be taken for granted that changing world conditions, especially in the Far East, have emphasized the need for a wider field of supplies. Nor need this be taken as any special action against the United States. It is a matter purely of national security.

Japan has been steadily expanding her trade activities through Manchoukuo, the South Seas, Australia, Mexico, Central and South America. Recent developments caused by the European war have made it possible for Japan to return to her former trade status in South America. Trade Missions from several Japanese officials in Tokyo. Peru sent a mission last year. An Argentine mission is now in Tokyo, and one from Mexico is on the way there, as well as missions from Spain and Siam. Brazil, with its 200,000 Japanese residents must be counted as a potential trade friend.

The backlogs of Japan-America trade—cotton and silk—probably will not be disturbed to any extent for some time, if ever. In the matter of heavy machinery America can still count on the Japanese market. But there are other articles that can be obtained elsewhere. Southern California will suffer if Japan concludes any special deal for oil with Mexico as is now being undertaken. The Argentine mission now in Tokyo offers a threat to American trade in Japan, because Argentina can supply materials now shipped from the United States.

Such being the conditions, the governments, both of the United States and Japan should exercise the utmost forbearance and energy to the end that temporary differences may be composed in a manner satisfactory to both. As has previously been urged, it seems reasonable to assert that the peace and welfare of the countries in the Pacific Basin depends to a large degree on the continued friendly relations be-

RALLYING

Revive the flagging song, oh, heart,
Lift high the last valiant shred
Of courage as a banner in the wind,
As gesture leaving little to be said.
What though the final, lingering notes
Are scattered wide and earth withhold
Its simple things from me, for there will be
My tattered banner like a cloth of gold.

—Toyo Suyemoto.

Nisei Letter

By I. M.

Hello, everyone. I've always had the yen to write a column for a newspaper, and now the editor has actually given me the okay to talk to you from time to time from this corner. And now I'm in the groove, so to speak, to tell you of anything at all that strikes me as interesting.

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The other night I was invited out by a "hajukin," an old school pal of mine, who once sent me a Valentine, years ago. We've always been the best of friends. I must admit I was self-conscious at first, for I was the only Nisei there at the Palomar on Tuesday night. You see, it was a C.C.F. gathering, and the crowd had turned out to blow up on election night!

Believe me . . . they are the most broad-minded people I've ever come across. They actually went out of their way to put me at ease, and make me feel like one of them. If only all the "Hakujin" were so tolerant, half our worries would be over.

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But most of the delegates at the Youth Congress were very amiable too. Chatting with Dun . . . in the hall, I felt proud to be Japanese. He just couldn't understand why the Nisei were not legally classed as Canadians. He sincerely meant that, too!

You know, a movement like this Congress should not be disregarded by any youth. After exchanging views with other representatives, I soon realized that they, too, have many problems. Now I feel as if we are selfish at times; I mean too impatient over this problem of the franchise.

I was glad to see the Nisei so well represented. Personally I learnt more in a day at the Congress, than I could hope to in a year of the same old daily grind. And meeting other delegates certainly helped to widen my narrow outlook on all kinds of things.

And by the way, I found the Chinese young people delightfully sociable. We really should go out of our way to cultivate friendship with them.

But the man who impressed me the most was the secretary of the Vancouver Youth Council. He's done more for the Congress than any one else, and everyone realizes it, and realizes how much the Congress has depended upon him. And he, just like we Nisei, isn't recognized as a citizen, because he happens to be of East Indian birth.

He has sacrificed so much of his time and energy without any reward, you would think that some kind soul would come forward and offer him the job he so sorely needs. If we only had his kind among the Nisei and in the JCCL we'd

Gakuyukai Stages Party To Welcome New Graduates And Fete Sport Stars

The giant wheels of activity in the Gakuyukai are pinning merrily. At the Japanese School last Sunday ternoon, an unexpected crowd of close to three hundred iseis gathered to take part in the welcome party for the 940 graduates, members of the Taiwakai, and for the YK badminton and table tennis stars.

After the party had opened th the singing of the school ng, master of ceremonies, To i Hashimoto, introduced the wly elected councillors of the iwakai who will represent the ass of '40 on the parent alumni ecutive.

WORD OF WELCOME

Speaking on behalf of the Ga yukai, Toshio Bando welcomed e new graduates into the par nt organization and later Kayo da and Aiko Umakoshi replied r the Taiwakai.

On hand at the gathering were GYKers Lucy Koyanagi, Shige Okumura and Baron Wakabayashi who carried off the most of the important titles in the recent B. C. Open Japanese Badminton Tournament and who received a big ovation when introduced to the audience.

Also enthusiastically acclaimed were the trio, Joe Sato, Tatsuo Nakatani and Shigeru Taguchi, who added new laurels to the GYK crown by winning the Junior Table Tennis title and the H. M. & S. Challenge Cup.

ENTERTAINMENT

The afternoon's program of entertainment included dramatic presentations by the GYK Drama Club, a few vocal and instrumental selections and a number of orchestral renditions by the GYK Harmonica Band under the direction of genial Roy Kumano.

In the latter part of the program the members were given a foretaste of future motion picture entertainment in the showing of a few educational movie shorts notably "San Francisco Exposition," "School Days in Japan," "A Day in Tokyo" and "Teaching With Sound Films."

The Keiyukai and Taiwakai's gift to the Gakuyukai, a steel filing cabinet, was also shown.

LUMBER MAGNATE

EIKICHI KAGETSU

Issei Sketch

Immigrant Boy To Lumber Magnate

Success Story For The Nisei

The Nisei are prone to overlook the fact that many of the Issei have reached their present station in life by dint of sheer hard work and perseverance. The Issei's trying and uncertain fortunes in a new and undeveloped country have not prevented them from carving out a niche for themselves. In no instance is this more brilliantly illustrated than in the case of Eikichi Kagetsu, well-known lumber magnate.

People meeting him face to face for the first time, little realize the long and arduous years which were the prelude to his present well-earned success.

Mr. Kagetsu was a young man about twenty-three when he first set foot on Canadian soil in 1906. He knew very little English, let alone the manners and customs of the land. But the will to succeed burned brightly in him.

Very few of the present younger generation would cherish the idea of exchanging places with the immigrant youth in his first years in Canada. The long hours, the exhausting labour that fell upon the shoulders of an immigrant worker were his lot.

Besides a great many unemployed young men would undoubtedly turn up their noses at the amount he was getting then. The fruit of hours and hours of blistering, numbing and back-breaking toil totalled but one or two dollars. Moreover, there was little steady employment to be had in the logging business which he had come to love. But with the insistent desire to learn the trade driving him onward, the future lumber magnate went from camp to camp hunting for work, and he always got it!

TOIL OF THE EARLY DAYS

"I worked three years at various logging camps," Mr. Kagetsu told The New Canadian, "spurred on always by a vision of the future. By that time I had managed to put aside about four or five hundred dollars and having taken quite a shine to the logging business myself, I decided to try my hand at it."

First, Mr. Kagetsu purchased the timber rights to 160 acres at Sechelt. When he started, he paid $200 as first installment for the timber rights, some more money on saws, axes, other equipment and provisions, and hiring a crew of loggers, set out for the place.

At first, the operations were small and makeshift and returns pitifully meagre, but British Columbia was expanding rapidly in those years, and his business grew with the Province. After Sechelt had been cleared, numerous timber holdings were purchased, among which was a tract just above the present intake at Seymour Creek in North Vancouver.

That is all past history—the first few pages in a story of success. Now, thirty years later, his business has grown until the present camp at Fanny Bay, some fifty miles north of Nanaimo, hews out roughly 10,000,000 board feet in one year, provides work for about seventy men with their dependents, as well as thousands of dollars in taxes to the Government. Through Mr. Kagetsu's indomitable courage, enterprise and ability, the business has weathered the lean depression years that threatened to gobble up all the hard-earned rewards of the previous years.

THE FRUITS OF LABOUR

Mr. Kagetsu's contributions to community life in the role of president of the Canadian Japanese Association and also of the Hompa Buddhist Church have been too many to pass unnoticed.

Suffice it to mention that with his experience and knowledge he has recently advanced plans to study vocational opportunities for the Nisei in various fields and to delve into the question of the economic status of Japanese Canadians.

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The Nisei are often accustomed to regard the advice of the first generation as merely the usual platitudes which all age delights in handing down to youth. But rarely is this true of our fathers. For their advice is truly born of the lessons of life itself, and springs from the closest understanding and acquaintanceship with hard work, fighting courage, and a vision of the future.

Among the first generation there have been few who have exhibited these qualities of mankind more convincingly than Eikichi Kagetsu in this story of immigrant lad to lumber magnate.

American Nisei Build Reserve Sinking Funds

Following the policy laid down by the Northern California District Convention of the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) held here last July, numerous chapters of the district have already set aside a considerable total of $13,000 in sinking funds and reserves, according to an official report made by Henry Mitarai, chairman of the committee in charge of surveying the progress of the drive.

The purpose of establishing sinking funds of at least $500 was to have ready working cash to finance certain projects and to meet sudden problems affecting the second generation and requiring working capital.

Public support has been aroused in the fund drives because it is pointed out that such money will be used for specific welfare purposes and not general chapter activities which are financed by dues.

The survey of the 25 chapters showed that a majority of them had been building up funds. Some of the big chapters had already exceeded the $500 mark (Sacramento $2100, San Francisco $1800), while the majority had funds ranging from $300 to $50.

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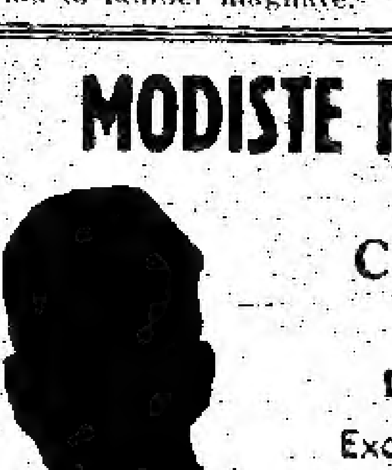

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Red Cross Society

Nisei Unit Needs Large Cupboard

By T. M. K.

Mr. M. Yanagisawa, Japanese agent for the Singer Sewing Machine Company, has donated the use of a machine for the duration of the war. The unit is very grateful for his generosity.

More materials have been obtained from branch headquarters, and will be distributed as soon as convenors of groups call for them. Some wool has also arrived.

The Japanese Canadian Red Cross Unit is slowly but surely assuming form and different groups are now ready for the actual work. The executive and convenors met at the home of Miss Miyoii Okamura, Sunday, March 31, to discuss ways and means of procuring supplies necessary for the continuance of activities.

Our most urgent need is a large cupboard, and the Unit would like to issue a special appeal for help to secure this cupboard.

The next meeting is due to be held at the Nippon Club, April 7, at 3.00 p.m., Mrs. Hazelwood, Red Cross organizer, will be present to explain the various samples already at our disposal. All members, prospective members and friends are asked to attend.

NOTES:—Of interest to our young dressmakers, the Red Cross workshop has asked the Japanese Canadian Unit to undertake the tailored pieces. Why? Because we are such adepts. We have received a Red Cross Pennant for our headquarters, the symbol of our status as a recognized unit of the Society.

Steveston JCCL Fetes Shuttle Stars

Misses Sadako Kochi and Miyoko Sogawa, badminton champions in the ladies doubles, were the guests of honour at a grand social held by the Steveston JCCA last Thursday, March 28, at the St. Anne's Parish Hall. Other guests included the members of the basketball and badminton groups.

President Hiroshi Nishi extended the congratulations of the Association to the sports groups for their splendid work during the winter season. He also expressed warm appreciation for the work of the Youth Congress delegates.

Response to the president's speech were given by the representatives of the different groups present.

A musical programme and dancing brought the evening to a close.

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Pioneer Doctor

Dr. K. Shimotakahara

Speaker at the last meeting of the Powell Young People's Society was Dr. K. Shimotakahara, pioneer physician and surgeon.

Relating his experiences since he first immigrated to Canada in 1900 as a boy, Dr. Shimotakahara told his audience that three things had guided him in his long struggle to achieve his ambition—singleness of purpose, perseverance, and faith in God.

The pioneer physician worked his way through public school, high school and medical school as houseboy, fisherman, and waiter. He returned to Vancouver from Chicago where he had taken his medical degree, at the beginning of the world war, and after long years built up a splendid practice in the city.

Hammond Concert To Boost Baseball

The baseball season has finally arrived. One unmistakable sign is the feverish interest in the colossal concert that is to be held at the Hammond Showa Hall this Saturday starting 7:30 in the evening in order to raise operating funds for the Hammond baseball nine.

Not only are localities polishing up their best acts but outside entertainers are joining in the fun.

From Vancouver are coming the Kitsilano Girls Dancing group, diminutive tap dancer Bobby Ito, Martha Hori and her electrical guitar, Roy Kumano and his harmonica, Sam Yamada and his trumpet, songstress Fujie Terakita, and from Steveston versatile Teruo Nakatsu and Iwaichi Sakai.

And something new in entertainment — J. Doyle's Circus Troupe featuring acrobatics, stunts and thrills galore, will highlight the evening's fun and frolic. You can't afford to miss it!

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Candlelight and Wine

by Diana

INTRODUCTIONS THAT CLICK

Introductions — did they ever stump you? They're as common as the air you breathe for in the social world we are constantly meeting people. Introductions are more than a matter of form. They're easy to perform once you've mastered a few simple rules.

You have two friends who do not know each other. You hope to perform the rites gracefully; instead you tie yourself into a beautiful little knot. What would be your natural reaction on facing two people? As a matter of courtesy you would of course address the older or more distinguished person first and introduce the younger one to her. In the case of a man and woman you would naturally address the woman, thus: "Miss Tanaka, may I present Mr. Sato," or informally, "Miss Tanaka, this is Mr. Sato," or simply repeat the names.

LIFE-LINE NEEDED

Naming the two strangers, however, is but the starting point. An introduction will fall through unless a life-line of some sort is thrown out. To avoid an uncomfortable silence point out the special interests of the persons introduced. Have you ever been left hanging in mid-air with a newly introduced person? You didn't know where he lived, what he did, what were his interests —so a dead silence. Avoid placing others in the same situation. Try to create an immediate friendliness between the two strangers by leading them into a smooth and pleasant conversation. Just a clumsy exchange of names will not make them feel at ease.

To rise or not to rise—that is the question. Concerning the men — there is no question. A gentleman always rises for an introduction. He lifts his hat if the formalities take place on the street. A girl on the other hand need rise only when introduced to her elders. It would be standing on too much formality for a girl to be constantly jumping up stiffly every time she meets another girl or boy. Everyone prefers a breezy informality among the young people. That however does not excuse the boys from standing.

SHAKE, PAL

Shaking hands is not essential, but it is a friendly gesture on the part of the woman. If a man, however, proffers his hand first it is obviously very rude to ignore it. It is not necessary to remove your gloves unless they are soiled. If you are being introduced to boys, beware of rings on your right hand. Some adolescents seem to take a fiendish delight in crushing your hand in a vise.

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You didn't catch her name? Then tell her so, graciously of course. It's better to admit your lapse than to be corrected for using some utterly fantastic cognomen.

Introductions are rarely made in the street. If you are walking with someone who chanced to meet her friend, simply walk slowly on giving your companion a moment to exchange greetings. Standing by awkwardly may give the impression that you are a busy-body hoping to catch bits of gossip. If you are walking with a gentleman, he will raise his hat as a mark of courtesy to any woman-friend you may meet even though he may not know her. If however, you are the third person do anything but attach yourself to their company unless invited to do so. You know how you felt when an unwanted person stuck to you like a leech.

PINEAPPLE WAFFLE

I was sitting there in that chamber of horrors—the dentist's waiting room nervously thumbing my way through the usual mess of out-dated magazines, when I came across this recipe for a Pineapple Waffle that fairly made my mouth water. I just had time to jot it down on the wrappings of one of my parcels before I was hauled off to the torture seat.

Sift together 2 c. of flour, 4 tsp. of baking powder, 2 tbsp. of sugar, and ½ tsp. of salt. Then the liquids go in, 1 c. of milk mixed with 2 beaten egg yolks. Stir the mixture and add ⅓ c. of melted shortening and ½ c. of drained, crushed pineapple. Fold in the stiffly beaten egg whites and bake in a hot waffle iron. This recipe is enough for five large waffles. For the syrup to serve with the waffles, boil together ½ c. of pineapple juice and 1 c. of sugar.

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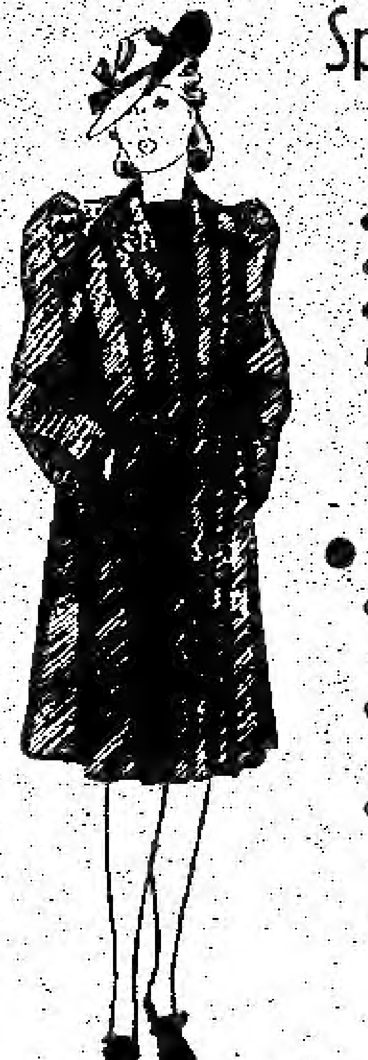

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Around the Bridge Table

PART V — THE RAISE

When your partner has made an opening one-bid in a suit, in order to give him a "raise" (that is, if he bids one spade, you bid two spades), you must consider three things:

1. Adequate trump support.
2. Honor tricks.
3. Distribution.

Adequate trump support consists of at least x x x x or Q x x. If partner bids his suit twice without support that shows he has a rebiddable suit, in which case x x x, or Q x form sufficient trump support.

At this stage of the game we shall consider only two kinds of "raises": 1. Single Raises; 2. Double Raises.

SINGLE RAISES

In order to raise your partner once, you must have in addition to *adequate trump support*:

(a) ONE honor-trick if you hold a singleton (that is, just a single card in any other suit), or

(b) 1½ Honor-tricks with a doubleton (a two-card suit) or

(c) 2 Honor-tricks with even (4-3-3-3) distribution.

For example, if your partner has bid one heart, raise him to two hearts with:

(a) S—x
H—K x x
D—K x x x x
C—J 10 x x

(b) S—K Q x
H—x x x x x
D—x x
C—Q J 10

(c) S—K J 10
H—x x x x
D—Q J x
C—A x x

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DOUBLE RAISES

In order to give your partner a double raise (to raise your partner from one to three in a suit), you must have:

More than adequate trump support, that is, at least FOUR trumps headed by at least Jack or better and:

(a) 2 Honor-tricks with a singleton, or

(b) 2½ Honor-tricks with a doubleton, or

(c) 3 Honor-tricks with even distribution.

For example, if your partner has bid one heart, bid three hearts with:

(a) S—K x x x
H—J 10 x x
D—A Q 10 x
C—x

(b) S—K Q x
H—x x x x x
D—K Q J x
C—J 10

(c) S—A x x
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D—K J x
C—K Q x

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CALENDAR

APRIL

[illegible] Meeting, Nippon Club, 8 p.m. [illegible] Speaker.
[illegible] Meirokai Skate-fest, Roller Bowl, [illegible] p.m.
[illegible] Japanese Baseball League Meeting, Japanese Hall.
[illegible] "Hana Matsuri", Hompa Hall; Service, 2 p.m. Speaker, Rev. [illegible]hoshi. Concert 6.30 p.m.
[illegible] Red Cross Unit Meeting, Nippon Club, 3.00 p.m.
10—San Carlo Opera, "Madame Butterfly", Matinee, Strand.
12—AYPA Easter Dance, [illegible] Masonic Hall, 9 p.m., 25c per person.
13—Vancouver Youth Council Meeting, Y.W.C.A., 7.30 p.m.
14—Japanese Baseball League Opening Game, Union Fish vs. Hammond.
14—Bussei Baseball League Opening Game, Kitsilano vs. Hompa.
15—Japanese Catholic Concert, Dunlevy Mission Hall.
25—Powell Y.P.S. Roller Party, Ritz, 41st and Fraser, 7.30 to 11.00 p.m., 35c.
26—Annual Fuji Ski Club Meeting.

Y.P. Members Win Leadership Awards

Presentation of certificates for training in the Young People's leadership course will be presented to Chiyo Hyodo, Hideko Hidaka and Eiji Yatabe at the forthcoming Sunday service of the Powell Junior Church.

"The Secret of the Kingdom" will be the topic of Rev. K. Shimizu's sermon.

Nippon Silks Open Store In City

Shoppers frequenting the busiest downtown shopping centre in the Vancouver Block on Granville Street witnessed last week the opening of the Vancouver branch of the Nippon Silks Company.

The Nippon Silks Company which handles all lines of piece goods and the "Well-Dressed" brand of silk stockings had a modest beginning in Calgary but now it has grown until now it has stores in Calgary, Edmonton, Regina and the latest addition in Vancouver.

In charge of the Vancouver branch is Mr. S. Sugiura. He is being assisted by a Vancouver-born Nisei, Hiroshi Kuwahara, who is being groomed for the managership of the Calgary store where he will be returning presently.

Niseis are cordially invited to pay a visit to the store.

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TOWN TOPICS

Hana Matsuri

A grand celebration, the "Hana Matsuri" will be staged at the Hompa Temple this coming Sunday, April 7.

In the afternoon Rev. Rakusho Hosui of the Hompa Hongwanji, Kyoto, who is on a special tour from Japan, will be guest speaker.

Starting 6.30 in the evening, a concert will be given. Each of the Sunday School Classes have been preparing special numbers for the occasion. Vocal and instrumental numbers are being arranged.

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Ritz Roller Parties

"The Ritz"—it's new, it's ritzy. Try it out with the Powell Y.P.S. at their roller party on Thursday, April 25. Skating from 7.30 to 11.00. Accommodations are limited so get your tickets early at 35c a piece. The Ritz is located at 41st and Fraser.

Are you going where everybody else is going? To the Meirokai skating party this Sunday, April 7th at 7.30. Don't miss it. It may be the last opportunity to skate on Sunday.

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Church Concerts

Rehearsals are now under way for the Catholic Japanese Mission Concert to be held on Wednesday, April 17, at the Dunlevy Avenue Hall. Keep the evening free to support the efforts of the young people.

May 4 is the tentative date for the Powell United Fujinkai concert at the Japanese School. Powell Y. P. S. "First Class Matter", winning play at the Greater Young Young Peoples' Drama Festival, will be presented.

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Tacoma Visitors

Surprise visitors to the Hompa YMWBA last week-end were six Busseis from the Tacoma YMBA. A sight-seeing tour of the city and a banquet and dance at the New Pier in their honour highlighted the visit.

● MILESTONES THIS WEEK

Matsui-Watanabe

A bridal gown of dainty lace over lustrous white satin and a shower bouquet of gardenias was chosen by the bride for the beautiful ceremony that united in marriage Miss Yukiko Watanabe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Watanabe, and Mr. Masayuki Matsui at the Powell Unitd Church last Thursday, March 28, at 5:30 p.m. Rev. K. Shimizu officiated.

After the reception held at the Fuji the bridal couple sailed for the south.

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Nakashoji-Yamada

A quiet ceremony at th Feranklin Baptist Mission on Saturday, March 20, united in marriage Miss Chiyoko Yamada of this city and Mr. Joe Nakashoji of Port Coquitlam. Rev. D. Harry of Missioin officiated.

A small reception was held for immediate relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Nakashoji will reside in Port Coquitlam.

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Murabayashi-Nabata

The Hompa Buddhist Temple was the setting for a pretty wedding when Miss Masako Nabata, second daughter of Mrs. T. Nabata, became the bride of Mr. Eikichi Murabayashi last Saturday, March 30. Rev. Mitsubayashi read the marriage service.

The reception was held at the Fuji.

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Arikado-Sasaki

A trellis of white wedding bells and carnations formed a charming setting for the wedding of Miss Connie Sasaki, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Sasaki of Queensborough, and Mr. Henry Arikado, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Y. Arikado. The ceremony held at the Powell United Church on Saturday, March 30, was performed by Rev. K. Shimizu.

The reception was held at the Sun Pekin.

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Hama-Yoshida

Mr. and Mrs. H. Yoshida of Haney announce the wedding of their second daughter, Sayo, to Mr. Kenzo Hama, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Hama of Deep Bay, to take place at the Fuji Chop Suey on Wednesday, April 10, at 5 p.m. Rev. R. Tachibana will perform the ceremony. A wedding reception will follow the ceremony.

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Gleanings From Nisei Fields

Paldi Parade

Greetings, folks, this is Station MIFF bringing you the news and gossip from the pen of yours truly, Cossy Asaki.

Blessed Event

To Mr. and Mrs. S. Yoshino, a daughter, on March 15, at the King's Daughters Hospital at Duncan. Both mother and daughter are doing well—and, we may add, so is the proud papa.

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Social Round

Paldi's No. 1 glamour boy was host to a group of friends at a party and dance at his parents' home on March 17, at Paldi. Music for dancing was by radio and record playing.

Mr. Toshio Omoto of Vancouver spent the Easter holidays visiting his sisters here.

Mrs. N. Yoshino and daughter Kato of New Westminster, were also holiday visitors to Paldi.

Here and There

Mr. T. Enta, employed at the Mayo Bros. Timber Co., arrived from Vancouver after spending a week at home recuperating from an injured hand.

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Sports

With the feeling of Spring in the air and old Sol shining so brightly, Paldi school grounds, on Sunday, March 17, re-echoed to the smack and thud of horsehide against hickory and leather. That has only one meaning—Baseball season is drawing near.

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Surrey Girls Enjoy Tea

Through the kind invitation of Mrs. Carbutt, the former president, the Surrey Japanese Girls' Club held their last meeting of the season March 19, at her new home in West Burnaby.

With Miss Polly Ujiye occupying the chair a short business meeting was called to order. The club acknowledged a donation of two dollars from Mrs. M. Ono in Japan, in commemoration of her recent bereavement.

The gracious hostess had prepared a lovely tea, which was greatly enjoyed by all. The girls wish to extend their deepest gratitude to her.

A special business meeting will be held April 28, to discuss plans for Mother's Day.

Seen on the grounds warming up their arms were Bud Akiyama, Kiyoshi Enta, Lefty Toyota, Frank Tagami, Kaz Yonemura, Toh Ioi and George Nishimura. The club hopes to have the same support from the community as last season.

Mr. Y. "Shap" Ogura of Paldi arrived back from the judo tournament at Chemainus, the proud possessor of one of the two cups presented at the tournament. Congratulations, "Shap!"

Gossip

Who is the young Niseiette of Paldi who received a nice "mushy" Easter card signed by "Guess Who"? Romance in the bud? . . . Strangest sight to be seen on the Island Highway was a sedan going north with four Nisels in the front seat and two Issels in the back. Why not give the Issels a break, girls?

East-Richo Chats

By "Chatter"

Farmers Modernize

The local farmers are discarding their horses and old fashioned ploughs and installing new farm machinery that perform three or four operations. No longer will any breath be wasted on "whoa's" and "giddaps."

Fishing Fair

The last two weeks of fishing have shown very favourable signs here, with the fishermen looking forward to better catches.

Mr. R. Kumagai, the only Japanese fisherman, excluding returned soldiers, with a permit to fish for "hooligans" began operations recently.

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Sports Roundup

The Riverside Baseball nine hopes to do a little conquering this year. Plans for the year are already discussed, and a sports social is under consideration by the Social committee.

Sunday, March 31, saw the team play its first game of the season against Ladner High School at Ladner. Lack of practice caused a severe epidemic of "fumblitis" but our team came through with a win just the same, 17-11.

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"Bright Sayings"

Mr. Visitor from Woodfibre, do tell us why you looked as though you had come to a funeral? And my, such a short visit!

"Hey, you, what did you write about me in the paper," asks one dear reader.

"Not paper," says another. "Say you saw it in 'The New Canadian.'"

Taiyos Crowned Vict'ria Cage League Reigning Monarchs

VICTORIA, B.C.—By their 38-21 victory over the youthful Tuxis Beavers in the second and final game of the post-season playoffs, the Taiyo Hoopsters, today, are the reigning monarchs of the Victoria Japanese Community Basketball League.

The Beavers put up a spirited fight in the first half and the eventual winners were forced to be content with a slim two-point margin with the score 14-12 at the breather.

Masao Kuwabara with 16, and brother Thomas with 14 points were high for the Taiyos, while the scoring on the Beaver team was well divided with George Uyede being on top with 5 points.

The Taiyos won the first game by a 38-18 score.

TAIYOS: M. Kuwabara 16, T. Kuwabara 14, Muneo Kawasoe, 2, G. Hasegawa, Mitsuo Kawasoe, Stum Okamoto, Saburo Kuwata 6. Total 38.

BEAVERS: Stum Shimizu 4, Hidei Ioi 4, Yon Shimizu 4, G. Uyede 5, R. Hasegawa 2, K. Takahashi, Ken Kuwabara 2. Total 21.

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British Ambassador Sees Adjustment Of Anglo-Japanese Relations Near

Declaring that both Japan and Great Britain are striving for the same objectives in the world today, "namely, a lasting peace and preservation of our institutions from extraneous subversive forces," British Ambassador Sir Robert Craigie last week forecast an early improvement in relations between Japan and Great Britain.

The Ambassador's audience at a luncheon of the Japan-British Society, included Prince and Princess Chichibu, and Foreign Minister Hachiro Arita.

"Bearing in mind the declared intentions of the Japanese Government and the measure of success already achieved," Sir Robert said, "I have a definite feeling of confidence in the future of British-Japanese relations."

He said there was "room for satisfaction in the thought that the innate good sense of our two nations . . . has prevented animosities of the moment from hardening into deep-seated resentment or permanent estrangement."

Misunderstanding

"It would be idle to deny that there have been serious divergences of national policy and outlook," Sir Robert continued, "but what has struck me most is the extent to which the real differences have been overlaid by a mass of misunderstanding and misrepresentation and, all too often, fostered by the unwelcome attentions of interested third parties.

"Already there is growing in each country appreciation of the extent to which the actions of the other have been vilified and misrepresented."

The Ambassador listed reverence for the throne, religious tolerance, and respect for traditions and customs as attributes Great Britain and Japan have in common.

Chinese Premier Outlines Policy Of New Govt.

NANKING.—The National Government of China stands for peace, anti-communism and national reconstruction, declared Wang Ching-wei, acting president and premier of the National Government, in a press interview, following the inauguration of the new Central Government of China.

Wang Ching-wei said peace would be achieved through the adjustment of relations between Japan and China along the lines of political independence and freedom and economic reciprocity and equality. This would be in accordance with the statement formulated by Prince Konoye in December, 1938, emphasizing good neighborly relations and economic co-operation between Japan and China.

Anti-Communism signifies the suppression of Communist intrigues designed to disturb peace and order both in China and Japan. This is another point in the Konoye statement which advocates Sino-Japanese joint defence against Soviet imperialism.

Third Power Interests

Regarding the new government's policy to the other great powers, the Premier declared that legitimate rights and interests will be respected on the basis of equality and reciprocity.

Wang Ching-wei revealed that a new currency system is being planned, and concluded with an expression of confidence peace between Japan and China in the true sense of the term would be realized.

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CANADIAN ENVOY TO JAPAN

National Status Signified By Diplomats

The post of Canadian Minister Plenipotentiary to Japan has been vacant since the retirement of the Hon. R. Randolph Bruce from that position well over a year ago.

Several prominent Canadians have been rumoured named for this responsible position during the past year, and this week, the name of the Hon. Ian Mackenzie, Federal member for Vancouver Centre, and Minister of Pensions and National Health, was raised as a possible appointee.

No reason for the long delay in filling the position has been given, but now that the election has been won, no doubt the appointment will soon be made. It cannot be attended to too early, however, in the international situation of today.

Although Canada and Japan have maintained contact since the turn of the century, the two countries have been represented by ambassadors (minister plenipotentiary) for little more than a decade.

First Envoys

Christian missionaries were probably the first representatives of the Canadian people to Japan, while Japan's first envoys to Canada were immigrant labourers. But from this question of Japanese immigration arose the first important direct diplomatic intercourse between the two countries. In 1907 the prejudice against these immigrants in British Columbia flared up into open warfare and riots in Vancouver, which resulted in thousands of dollars of property damage to Orientals. As a result the Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, the Minister of Labour, was sent to Japan to smooth over the difficulties arising out of the situation.

This mission was significant to the Dominion, for it marked the first time that Canada had attempted to assume the responsibilities of an independent nation by sending diplomatic envoys to foreign countries. Previous to this, and for years afterwards, Canada still continued her diplomatic negotiations principally through the British Government.

Between Japan and Canada however, diplomatic negotiations were often carried out through the consul-general in Canada, although this was contrary to the accepted rules of international law, which restricts consular duties to matters of trade and commerce.

In 1907, for instance, the Japanese Consul-General at Ottawa, "in behalf of the Japanese Government", wrote to the Prime Minister regarding the treaty of navigation of 1906 between Canada and Japan. In 1913 the Canadian Prime Minister negotiated directly with the Japanese Consul-General regarding Canada's adherence to the Anglo-Japanese trade treaty of 1911.

Developing Nation

But Canada's development in assuming responsibilities as a nation, as exemplified in her relations with Japan, raised the question of her relations with foreign powers again and again. At the Imperial Conference of 1926 the question was thoroughly discussed, with Canada taking the lead in asserting Dominion autonomy in the field of foreign relations.

The Dominion took the first step in this field in 1926 when she dispatched a minister plenipotentiary to the United States, and followed it up in 1928 with the appointment of a representative to France.

In the same year Prime Minister King announced that Canada and Japan would exchange ministers and legations would be opened in Tokyo and in Ottawa. He declared that Canada's central position between the Great Powers made it necessary to have direct representation in Japan, and stressed the importance of Canada's Pacific trade.

Japan established her legation at Ottawa on July 20, 1928, with Mr. Tomii (now Baron, the Hon. Shuh Tomii, the present minister at Ottawa), acting as first secretary and charge d'affaires, until the appointment of the first minister, the Hon. Iyemasu Tokugawa, a lineal descendant of the Tokugawa Shoguns.

The Canadian legation in Tokyo was established in April, 1929, with Dr. H. L. Keenleyside acting as charge d'affaires, until the arrival of the first minister, Sir Herbert Marler.

Since then the work accomplished through the respective diplomatic representatives has fully proven the truth of Prime Minister King's declaration, and makes it the more imperative that Canada should not delay any longer in naming a competent and experienced diplomat to this responsible post.

DO JAPANESE LIKE FAT MEN?

TOKYO.—Do Japanese dislike fat men?

Yes, says "Parade," an English digest.

No, retorts the "Japan Times & Mail," Japanese newspaper printed in English in Tokyo.

Says the "Parade":

"Since the Japanese dislike fat men, other nations avoid sending corpulent diplomats to Tokyo."

A careful inspection of the diplomatic corps bears this point out to some extent, it is admitted. There are no fat men of sumo avoirdupois and girth in the diplomatic corps stationed in Tokyo.

"But there are several whose generous proportions would be classed as good upholstery, all within good diplomatic taste," admonishes the Times.

"As for the Japanese disliking fat men, whether of the diplomatic or proletarian ranks, no proof can be adduced to this effect. Here, as everywhere, everyone loves a good man, whether he is built like an oil-vat or a flagpole. Foreign governments do not take measurements of their envoys before deciding on their fitness for the Tokyo scene."

Blind Piano Genius To Play Here

Alec Templeton, Genius of the piano, who will appear here in concert on April 9 at the Auditorium, through arrangements with Music Corporation of America, has been sightless since birth.

He has won wide acclaim through his ability to play selections after hearing them once and has written numerous compositions of outstanding merit.

When accompanied by a symphony orchestra, Templeton excels in his renditions of such masterpieces as: "Concerto in A Minor," by Schumann; "Emperor Concerto" by Beethoven; "No. 2 and 3 concertos" by Rachmaninoff; "Concerto in A Minor" by Greig; and "Paganini Variations" by Rachmaninoff.

In solo offerings, Templeton is famous for his subtle and amusing improvisations, the ones attracting the most comment are those that are presented on the spur of the moment when several members of an audience offer three or four titles with which to work. He arranges these different selections into one number, blending them into a beautiful arrangement, yet each one is easily recognized.

His ability is well known to the radio audience through his many appearances over nation wide networks, and his concert arrangements throughout the United States and Europe have won for him a tremendous and enthusiastic following.

Music critics all over the country have unanimously stated that the blind genius has the most remarkable musical memory of any living artist. In addition to being a foremost interpreter of piano music, he is an accomplished performer on the violin, organ and flute.

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Three-Way Fight For Spring Golf Title

By Jimmy Suzuki

With a preliminary handicap tourney already played off, the golfers will get their first taste of cup competition for the new year in a 36-hole medal affair which will be held at Langara Golf Course this Sunday. They will be shooting for the Matsunaga Challenge Cup, emblematic of the spring championship of the Nippon Golf Club. With last year's champ Isogai taking it easy abroad, the race for the top rung will be confined strictly to a three-way fight between "Herb" Tanaka, Jack Katsukawa and Reggie Yasui. Herb will be gunning for the cup which he so ingloriously lost to Isogai in last year's tourney. It'll be a toss-up though, with Herb and Jack holding a slight edge on Reggie, but there's always the dark horses to be considered.

Handicap Huddle

For the high handicappers, there will be a scramble for a dozen balls, and from the looks of things last week it's every man for himself.

The only change in the handicaps are "Doc" Kuwabara, winner two weeks ago and George Ogino, the runner-up.

Revised Handicap: Katsukawa 9; Herb Tanaka 9; R. Yasui 11; M. Ashikawa 13; K. Tanaka 13; Hisaoka 13; Suzuki 14; Nimi 15; Arakawa 15; Maikawa 15; Ogino 18; Miura 16; Kitagawa 19; S. Maikawa 19; Kuwabara 19; M. Shimada 19; Kishimoto 20; Ito 20; Oka 20; Oyama 20; Baino 20; Yoshida 23; D. Shimada 25; F. Miyazaki 25; H. Maikawa 25; Togawa 26; Fukui 26; T. Maikawa 26.

Replacing Divots

The crop of "new potatoes" dug by the "Into-horis" are sure flooding the market. What with two new divoteers added to the ever swelling list in the person of Tommy Shoyama (your editor) and Kunio Shimizu, it looks like we must establish a control board. Impressions of a recruit, quoting Tommy: "It's not so bad to swing and miss, but it sure gets your goat to think you're going to hit a long ball and then see the gutta percha trickle off the tee stand." Golf lessons have already started in The New Canadian office. Be careful you don't get a club full in your face the next time you're up at the office.

Dutch Shimada sank a 120-yard approach shot on the 11th at Langara for a birdie three. Too bad it wasn't on the short 5th, it would have meant an achievement all golfers dream of—a hole in one.

The hottest man on the course last Sunday—orchids to you, "Horton" Oyama—sporting a 20 handicap, he went around in 87—net 67, 5 under par. Looks like the man to watch in the handicap division this Sunday.

Can you imagine a 3-3-3 finish on any course, especially at Langara? A tough par 3—16th followed by a couple of tricky par four holes. Here Tanaka did it before my very eyes—wowie!—my poor bank account!!!

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Asahis Aim For Third Burrard Title

Same 4 Teams In Loop: Opener May 4

Asahis, the Nipponese pride and joy in the Occidental diamond loop will soon swing into acton again. Beginning Saturday, May 4th, the spectators at the old ball-park on Powell street will again be treated to the familiar mighty mites prancing around on the bags, lightning double plays and the famous base-stealing tactics of the Asahis.

At the official Burrard Legaue meeting held at the Province Sports Room last Tuesday, it was decided that four teams, namely Asahis, Merrit-Gordons, Westerns and Patricias will make up the loop. Each team will play 20—30 games which will take about 13 weeks to complete.

This year the fast, tricky Nippons will be out for their 3rd consecutive Burrard Pennant with a better and stronger team. Rookies, new faces make an annual appearance in the Asahi line-up. Ken Kutsukake, Giant's ace catcher will fill in the backstop in place of Mousie Masuda whose ailing leg will most likely keep him out of action for the whole season. Joining the already strong pitching staff will be George Yoshinaka, youthful, fastball chucker from Mikado's. [illegible] is still green yet, but with a little seasoning, Roy Yamamura predicts another Sawamura.

Oldtimers Beware!

Trying out for infield and outfield positions are Yosh Hayashi and Yosh Nishimura, two Fairview stars. They show such promise, that old-timers like Eddie Nakamura, Frank Shiraishi, George Shishido and the rest of them will have to hustle to keep up with the youngsters, or they'll be warming the seats of their uniforms on the bench.

With the all-strong pitching staff, led off by the veteran Nag Nishihara, Kaz Suga, Tommy Sawayama, and Mike Maruno, and the rejuvenated infield and outfield, the Asahi's will have out one of the strongest nines ever assembled from the Japanese community.

The Nipponese are often criticized for their weak hitting punch, but if Kaz Suga can better his last year's amazing batting average of .467, which he held throughout the season, well I'd like to hear somebody kick. Koei Mitsui, in his first year with the Asahis also banged out a percentage of .364 which is nothing to be sneezed at.

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GASKARTH HEADS WALKERS

R. R. Gaskarth was elected president of the Vancouver Walking Club at the annual meeting, and J. R. Abraham was named secretary.

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"BING" TANAKA

"Bing" Retains B. C. Open Table Tennis Crown

Taguchi Jr. Champ: Yasui-Kozai Upset Seeded Doubles Aces

Carrying off the "Chuck" Tanaka trophy for the second consecutive year in the 2nd annual Japanese open table tennis tournament, held last Friday and Saturday, "Bing" Tanaka again proved himself kingpin of Nisei table tennis artists in the province.

Over fifty ping pong devotees, including five of Seattle's top-notchers took part in the tournament at the Pender Bowling Alley.

Stiff Competition

"Bing," by no means found the going easy, and had to apply every ounce of ping-pong strategy, finesse and lightening footwork to retain his crown. The final tussle between Tanaka and Yasui was a battle between erratic, but effective smashes and steady defensive strokes. "Doc," as Yasui is popularly called, smashed Bing's offerings again and again which would have ordinarily broken any stonewall defence, but Bing steadily stroked back the wild smashes and outlasted "Doc" in the gruelling 5-game series, 21-14, 19-21, 24-22, 15-21, 21-19.

Jack Tanaka, seeded number 1 from Seattle, was edged out of the competition by T. Kagawa, last year's junior champ early in the second round. Fellow Seattle-ites Nasue Hashiguchi and Bud Fukei also fell out of the running in the third round.

Juniors Hot

Sab Tsuboi, only Seattle entry in the junior division made a grand showing by sweeping through his earlier rounds, but lost out to Yozy Yasui in the semi-finals who in turn fell before Shigeru Taguchi's smashing forehand in a 5-set match for the championship.

Major upset of the meet was in the senior men's doubles finals. Bing Tanaka and "Doc" Yasui, seeded 1 and 2 took two games in a row from Yoshi Kozai and Yozy Yasui, then cooled off long enough to allow the underdogs to sweep through the next three games, 21-14, 21-17, and 21-15.

In the junior division doubles, Hompa's pat-ball aces T. Kagawa and K. Kaminishi won the doubles championship over Tad Eto and Tairon Tsuda in a 5-set game. The champs encountered no difficulty in reaching the finals.

SPORTS Sukiyaki

This is a 'doldrum' week', an old association of 'mine' which means nothing happening in the sports field, and a consequent headache for myself. No siree, as far as sport assignmnts are concerned, I may as well dig a hole in the ground and go to sleep.

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The current topic of stalwart sporting folks in the different hang-outs seems to be baseball, so hold your seats while I brush up a little data on the Japanese Baseball League.

With less than two weeks before the opening of the league schedule, the pet cry of the team managers is "We've got a strong, evnly balanced team, but woe is us, no pitchers!" Manager Rosie Okuda of the Giants is lamenting the fact that their ace southpaw, Rochi Korenaga, sailed for Japan, and Pansy Fujioka left for the sticks somewhere, leaving the Giants more or less pitcher-less.

Of course there's always Frank "Machine" Nakamura, who tosses them in one after another in an automatic, machine-like motion, using his brains rather than arm, but after all Frank's old soupbone is starting to creak, and he'd be lucky if he could see the finis of a grueling 9 innings.

Then there is Mickey Murakami who switched from the Union Fish outfit to do relief duties for the killer Giants. Last year Mickey tried hard for a comeback, but lost his nerve when he saw the pitiful way they killed his horsehide offerings. But you can never tell. Miracles do happen you know.

Rosie has ass[illegible] Misumi, Hompa's star[illegible] whether he remains a sta[illegible] after the Japanese League's [illegible] ished with [illegible] It's better to be optimistic [illegible] Rosie. He's also signed up [illegible] pal's Jim Miike, Fujioka [illegible] Fukumoto and hopes they play [illegible] ball as well as they do basketball.

Maruno Out This Season

Reports from the Union Fish champion camp seems optimistic but they too are having pitching trouble. Last year Mike Maruno, Asahi ace chucked Union Fish in to the pennant, but this year the rulings will not allow him to play, which leaves Kamitomo, Kutsukake and Jimmy Fukui. All three have their on and off days, and never know when their arms are going to fail on them. Only newcomer to the fish store nine is Mas Toyota, who hails from Duncan, and is fighting for an infield berth.

Former Fishermen—Wow!

After officially quitting the league, the Steveston nine loved the lure of the horsehide and history too much, and have again popped into the quibble whether or not to enter. The main reason for their dropping from the circuit was no pitchers, but now that they have signed up three promising high school chuckers they're rating to go again. Another rumor is that Steveston and Hammond may combine. If they do, with tossers like Tommy Sawayama and Luke Kus[illegible] and some of Steveston sluggers fighting for the same cause, we[illegible] the city slickers better look out. They'll be hard to beat.

Post Scriptu:

The weakest team of course will be the Asahi Niguns. This team comprising mostly of promising rookies picked up from the various Buddhist teams will be too green to afford any competition for a couple of years.

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Discipline of the Diet in Tokyo. Above (standing) Mr. Yakichiro Suma, Foreign Office spokesman, attends a session of the Disciplinary Committee to report on the reaction abroad to the speech of Takeo Saito, for which he recently was expelled from the House of Representatives

"Home is the sailor, home from the sea." And that's Premier Admiral Matsumasa Yonai, standing above, out of his familiar naval uniform, addressing a session of the Diet in Tokyo as just a plain civilian

Here's how! And it's down the batch with the Argentine Economic Mission members (above) as they visited the Economic Federation of Japan where bubbles sparkled

On their visit to Tokyo members of the Argentine Mission attended the Kabuki-za to see the old-style acting of Japan during their Tokyo sojourn. At the right a member of the Mission is greeting one of the actors

The Argentinians and their ladies see how a kimono is worn and with the graceful models (above) demonstrating how—well, say now, we ask you, who wouldn't want to look?

The winning artist in the international contest of the Hudson Adding Machine Co. receives the victor's plaque at the right. Joseph C. Grew, American Ambassador, (in center) looks on at the presentation ceremony in Tokyo

Nice little kitty-cats. The fuzzy pair above, getting a careful once-over from a visitor to their cage in Uyeno Zoo, Tokyo, recently were presented to the National Zoo of Thailand (Siam) by Japan as a gesture of good will. When these lion cubs grow up they'll roar that friendly sentiment, especially at feeding time

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ARGENTINA CLASPS WITH JAPAN

Eat, drink and be merry! The Argentine Economic Mission does that at the residence of Foreign Minister Hachiro Arita (standing above) who entertained the members

Members of the Argentine Economic Mission (below) paid homage at the Meiji Shrine upon their arrival in Tokyo to bind their trade ties tighter with Japan

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CAUGHT BY THE LENS IN NIPPON

Lest we forget! The memory of Hirosi Saito, former noted Ambassador of Japan in Washington, is kept green at a commemoration dinner in Tokyo on the first anniversary of his death. Mrs. Saito is seated second from the left above.

Sponsored by the Tokyo Chamber of Commerce, the National Abacus Contest recently was held at Chuo University in Tokyo. At the left the contestants are shown concentrating busily on their labors in the competition.

Aspirants for higher learning must pass the physical tests. Above the little girl with the weights is going through the paces at the Futaba Girls High School at Rokuban-cho in Tokyo.

Dolls — and dolls — animate and inanimate. These little Misses, colorfully costumed [illegible] are taking part in the annual Girls' Doll Festival in Tokyo before a large display of dolls (upper left).